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SACRAMENTO UPDATE

Executive Summary

This memorandum contains reports on the following:

- Legislative Spring Recess. A report on the Assembly and Senate's Spring Recess schedule.
- Change in Pursuit of County Position on SB 20 (Hernández). This measure which was related to student loan repayment assistance for recently licensed physicians, was amended on April 9, 2014 to remove this provision and now relates to the administration of the Health Benefit Exchange, Covered California. Therefore, the Sacramento advocates will remove the County's support for SB 20 and take no position on this measure.
- Status of County-Sponsored Legislation
 - County-sponsored AB 2273 (Ridley-Thomas) related to State reimbursement to counties for conducting legislative and congressional special elections, was placed on the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File on April 9, 2014.

 County-sponsored SB 1089 (Mitchell) - related to Medi-Cal reimbursements for in-patient hospital services for detained juveniles, passed the Senate Floor on April 10, 2014.

Status of County-Advocacy Legislation

- County-supported AB 1454 (Ian Calderon) related to annual unannounced visits at community care facilities, was placed on the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File on April 9, 2014.
- County-supported AB 1677 (Gomez) related to the student loan assumption program for registered nurses and licensed vocational nurses, was placed in the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File on April 9, 2014.
- County-supported AB 1970 (Gordon) related to local assistance grants to develop and implement integrated community-level greenhouse gas emissions reduction projects, passed the Assembly Natural Resources Committee on April 7, 2014.
- County-supported AB 2328 (Pérez) related to the California Service Corps, passed the Assembly Accountability and Review Committee on April 9, 2014.
- County-opposed AB 2373 (Hernández) related to requirements for counties to provide resources to the probation officer to meet statutory or court-ordered responsibilities, passed the Assembly Local Government Committee on April 9, 2014.

Legislative Spring Recess

On April 10, 2014, the Assembly and Senate adjourned for its Spring Recess and are scheduled to reconvene on April 21, 2014. The Legislature is expected to continue to consider legislation introduced this session when it reconvenes at the end of the month.

Change in Pursuit of County Position on Legislation

County-supported SB 20 (Hernandez), which as amended on February 14, 2013, would direct funds to the Steven M. Thompson Physicians Corp Loan Repayment Program to provide student loan repayment assistance for recently licensed physicians

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who practice in health professional shortage areas in California, was amended on April 9, 2014. As amended, the bill removes provisions regarding student loan assistance and now relates to the administration of the Health Benefit Exchange, Covered California. Therefore, the Sacramento advocates will remove the County's support for SB 20 and take no position on this measure.

Status of County-Sponsored Legislation

County-sponsored AB 2273 (Ridley-Thomas), which as introduced on February 21, 2014, would require the State, beginning on January 2013, to reimburse counties for conducting legislative and congressional special elections, was placed on the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File on April 9, 2014.

County-sponsored SB 1089 (Mitchell), which as introduced on February 19, 2014, would make technical amendments to County-sponsored AB 396 of 2011, which allows counties and the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to draw down Federal Medicaid matching funds to provide reimbursement for the medical treatment of detained juveniles who require in-patient hospital services, passed the Senate Floor by a vote of 34 to 0 on April 10, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly.

Status of County-Advocacy Legislation

County-supported AB 1454 (lan Calderon), which as amended on March 17, 2014, would require community care facilities to be subject to an annual unannounced visit by the California Department of Social Services (CDSS), instead of at least once every five years as required under current law, and require CDSS to conduct more frequent unannounced visits under certain circumstances, including when the licensee is on probation, among other provisions, was placed on the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File on April 9, 2014.

County-supported AB 1677 (Gomez), which as amended on March 17, 2014, would establish a competitive student loan assumption program for qualified individuals who agree to work full-time, for four consecutive years as a clinical registered nurse or licensed vocational nurse in a public health facility, was placed on the Assembly Appropriations Suspense File on April 9, 2014.

County-supported AB 1970 (Gordon), which as introduced on February 19, 2014, would create the Community Investment and Innovation Program to provide local assistance grants and other financial assistance to eligible recipients for the purposes of developing and implementing integrated community-level greenhouse gas emissions

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reduction projects in their region, passed the Assembly Natural Resources Committee by a vote of 6 to 1 on April 7, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly Local Government Committee.

County-supported AB 2328 (Pérez), which as introduced on February 21, 2014, would establish the California Service Corps to administer Federal AmeriCorps Program grants to recruit, train and place volunteers in community settings, and to provide student loan assistance for the volunteers, passed the Assembly Accountability and Review Committee by a vote of 13 to 0 on April 9, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly Appropriations Committee.

County-opposed AB 2373 (Hernández), which as amended on March 24, 2014, would require a county, or city and county, upon receipt of notification by the probation officer that staff and financial resources available are insufficient to meet his or her statutory or court ordered responsibilities, to either provide the probation officer with the resources he or she has identified as necessary or to provide a justification for its failure to do so, passed the Assembly Local Government Committee by a vote of 6 to 2 on April 9, 2014. This measure now proceeds to the Assembly Public Safety Committee.

We will continue to keep you advised.

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